

THE GOVERNOR'S REPORT.

The Resources, Needs and Prospects of the Territory.

The report of Governor McCord has been issued by the interior department at Washington. It is not so profusely illustrated as former reports by Governor Hughes and Governor Franklin. But most of the illustrations have not heretofore been shown. Only 7,000 copies will be issued.

The report contains many interesting facts about the territory

The manufacture of lumber has grown to be an important industry in Coconino county. There are at present four saw-mills in the county, one each at Flagstaff, Greenlaw, Walker and Williams. The output of the mills finds a market in Arizona, New Mexico and Southern California.

Since the first of the year the copper mines of the Grand Canyon of the Colorado have received attention. The development work has proved these properties both rich and extensive, and before the end of the year Governor McCord predicts that an extensive plant will be erected for the working of these ores

There are along the Little Colorado, in the eastern part of Coconino county, thousands of acres of highly productive land, which, if irrigated, would produce abundant crops. There are within this section many natural reservoir locations, which could be utilized at small expense.

Among the enterprises that Governor McCord thinks would further develop the resources of Coconino county, and which would pay, are the following: A railroad to the Grand Canyon, a wool scouring mill, flouring mills, furniture factory and a 100-room hotel.

While silver mining has declined, owing to the depreciation in silver, there has been increased activity in the

pursuit of other metals, resulting in rich discoveries. Many high-grade veins of copper and gold have been located and are being developed. As soon as reduction works are erected the gold and copper output of the territory will be greatly increased. In copper production Arizona stands third in the United States. The gold ledges in Cochise county are remarkable for their great wealth and for their free milling character. Particularly is this true of the gold ledges of the Dos Cabezas district.

The turquoise district is attracting much attention at present on account of recent finds. Evidence of mining in this section by the Aztecs and Toltecs has been discovered. Several plants in which the cyanide process of extracting gold and silver are used have recently been erected in Cochise county and are now in successful operation.

Stock-raising has received a big boom throughout the territory since the passage of the Dingley law. In Gila county there is an excellent profit in raising poultry. Chickens sell at from \$3 to \$6 a dozen, turkeys at \$1 and \$2 apiece, eggs from 15 cents to 30 cents a dozen.

A great deal of prospecting has been going on during the past year in the counties of Yavapai, Maricopa, Gila, Cochise and Yuma and many new and paying mining properties have been opened.

The annual wool clip of the territory will amount to 10,000,000 pounds. Governor McCord gives the permanent population of the territory at 87,500. He makes a strong argument for statehood.

An outrider system of the Salvation Army will be established in Arizona the latter part of this month. Prescott will probably be headquarters for the outriders, who will travel from camp to camp and hold services.